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Three Faculty Members from the School of Science, Maulana Azad National Urdu University Recognized among the **World's Top 2% Scientists** by Stanford University, USA

The School of Sciences proudly announces that three of its distinguished faculty members have been recognized in the globally prestigious **World's Top 2% Scientists list (2025)**, published by Stanford University, USA. The data is verified and sourced from ELSEVIER and Stanford University. This list highlights researchers with exceptional impact, productivity, and influence across various scientific disciplines.



Dr. Mohammad Faizan

Dr. Mohammad Faizan, Assistant Professor in the Botany Section, has been recognized for his pioneering research in plant physiology, nanotechnology, and sustainable agriculture. He earned his PhD in 2018 from Aligarh Muslim University, India, and completed postdoctoral research at Nanjing Forestry University, China, in 2022. He subsequently joined MANUU as an Assistant Professor (Contractual) in the Botany Section. His work has received over 4,300 citations, with an h-index of 30 and an i10-index of 59, reflecting his significant impact in the field. Dr. Faizan has authored more than 138 publications, including books, book chapters, and research articles, and has collaborated with leading scientists and institutions worldwide. In addition, he serves as an editor for various high-impact and reputed journals, further contributing to the advancement of scientific research.



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Prof. Muhammad Rafiq Abuturab

Prof. Muhammad Rafiq Abuturab, Head of the Physics Department, has been featured on this list for six consecutive years (2020–2025). His top percentage is less than 1% for the six consecutive time. In 2025, his world ranking in Optoelectronics & Photonics (subfield-1) and Optics (subfield-2) is 371 and all India rank is 3 in the Single-Year Impact database, while his world ranking is 475 and all India rank is 3 in the Career-Long Impact Database. His research focuses on Optical Information Processing, Optical Signal Processing, Optical transforms, Optical information security, Fourier Optics, and Digital Holography. He has single-authored 37 papers out of 39 papers in peer-reviewed international journals, 5 papers in conference proceedings, and 2 book chapters. He has served as a Lead Guest Editor of the Journal of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Security and Communication Networks, and International Journal of Optics. He is a senior member of the OSA, USA and SPIE, USA.



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Prof. Salman A. Khan

Prof. Salman A. Khan, Head of the Chemistry Section and Former Dean, School of Sciences, is recognized for his outstanding contributions to the chemical sciences, particularly in the fields of thermochemistry and materials research. His pioneering studies have successfully bridged fundamental aspects of chemistry with practical technological applications, thereby enriching both theoretical knowledge and industrial development. Prof. Khan has been consistently included in the World's Top 2% Scientist list since 2020, a testament to his sustained research excellence and global recognition. Over 3210 citations (Scopus) with an h-index of 31, Prof. Khan has established a strong international research footprint. Prof. Salman A Khan has published 220 research articles in reputed journals like Elsevier, Springer, Wiley and has also published 5 books and several book chapters. In addition, he has guided 5 PhD students, further contributing to the academic and professional growth of young scholars. He completed his Ph.D from Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi. His leadership and academic excellence continue to inspire the next generation of scientists while advancing the global standing of his institution.

The MANUU Fraternity congratulates Dr. Faizan, Prof. Khan, and Prof. Abuturab for this remarkable achievement, which underscores their dedication, scholarly excellence, and contribution to advancing knowledge in their respective fields.